Rehabilitation of Beggars

4354. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1869 given in the Rajya Sabha on 10th December, 1991 and state:

(a) whether Government have chalked out any scheme in the 8th Five Year Plan to wipe off begging in streets, public places etc; and

(b) whether Government propose to rehabilitate and give them employment by running some small scale industries?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) Sixteen State Governments and two Union Territory Administrations, in accordance with their special laws, are taking action to rehabilitate beggars.

जाति संबंधी प्रमाण-पत्रों में आपत्तिजनक शब्द

4355. **श्री सुरेन्द्र सिंह ठाकुर :** क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि दिल्ली और उसके निकटवर्ती क्षेत्रों में अनुसूचित जातियों से संबंधित लोगों को प्रमाण-पत्र जारी करते समय आपत्तिजनक शब्द "चूड़ा" का प्रयोग किया जाता है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस समुदाय में इस शब्द के खिलाफ कड़ी आपत्ति को ध्यान में रखते हुए इस शब्द को हटाने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार राज्य सरकारों को सरकारी पत्रों में किसी ऐसे शब्द का प्रयोग न करने के लिए निर्देश जारी करने का विचार रखती है जिससे अनुसूचित जातियों से समबंधित लोगों की भावनाओं को ठेस पहुंचती हो ?

कल्याण मंत्री (श्री सीताराम केसरी): (क) अद्यतन संशोधित संविधान (अनुसूचित जाति) (संघ राज्य क्षेत्र) आदेश, 1951 के अनुसार "चूहड़ा" (बाल्मिकी) को संघ राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली के राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली के संबंध में अनुसूचित जातियों की सूची में शामिल किया जा चुका है । उपर्युक्त को ध्यान में रखते हुए अनुसूचित जाति प्रमाणपत्र, केवल राष्ट्रपति जी के आदेश में यथा उल्लिखित समुदाय के नाम से ही जारी करना होगा ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

Employment under 15 Point Programme for Minorities

4356. SHRI MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any Committee in his Ministry for monitoring the implementation of the 15 Point Programme for the welfare of the Minorities; and

(b) if so, what are the details with regard to such Committee in the Ministry and the number of persons who have been provided with Employment during the past three years under the programme?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Ministry of Welfare is not implementing any programme to provide employment under the 15-Point Programme.

4357. [*Transferred to the 26th March*, 1992.]

Backlog vacancies for the Orthopaedically handicapped

4358. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 729 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th February, 1992 and state:

(a) whether there is any backlog at present of reserved vacancies for the Orthopaedically handicapped in Group C and D posts in Ministries/Departments, Public undertakings and Banks etc.

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when Government propose to fill up the above vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (c) As per information available, the backlog of reserved vacancies for orthopaedically handicapped reported by various Ministries/Public Undertakings and Banks etc. as on 01-01-1991 is 375 for Group C and 337 for Group D posts. The vacancies in the posts/services are filled up by Ministries/Departments and Banks etc. by notifying the vacancies to the Employment Exchanges and Vocational Rehabilitation Centres for Physically handicapped. These vacancies are also filled up by open competition conducted by staff Selection Commission, Banking Recruitment Boards, Railway Recruitment Boards etc. and through advertisements inserted by various Govt. employing agencies in leading newspapers. The filling up of vacancies is a continuing process.

Validity of caste certificate

4359. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR:

SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the caste certificate issued by one State is valid in other States for the same case;

(b) what are the details in this regard; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to ensure the acceptance of caste certificate in all other States?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) As required under Articles 341 and 342 of the Constitution. Presidential Orders have been issued specifying Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in relation to a particular State/Union Territory only.

Atrocities on SC/ST

4360. SHRI M. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will he Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that atrocities on Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes are on the increase;

(b) if so, the number of cases of atrocities on Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes people registered, tried and the number of those convicted during the last three years; till date;

(c) the steps taken to curb such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) The total number of crimes committed against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country during 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1992 are given below:—

Year	Crimes against	
	Scheduled Castes	Scheduled Tribes
1989 . . .	15799	3623
1990 . . .	17737	3572
1991 . . .	17566	3405
1992 . . .	194£	69£

£so far reported.

The details about the number of cases tried and the number of those convicted during the said years are being collected from States and U.Ts. and would be laid on the table of the House.

(c) There are detailed guidelines issued to the States and U.Ts. suggesting various precautionary, preventive, punitive, rehabilitative and personnel policy measures to prevent crimes against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 has been enacted. The Act provides